IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

PIL NO. 146 OF 2004

Firoz A. Ansari, Advocate. ...Petitioner

Versus

Suresh Kalmadi and Ors. ... Respondents.

Petitioner-in-person present.
Mr. Hitesh Jain, instructed by M/s. Udwadia & Udeshi for respondent No.1.
Mr. B.A. Desai, Additional Solicitor General, with Mr. Rajiv Chavan and Mr. Y.S. Bhate for respondent No.3.

CORAM: **DALVEER BHANDARI, C.J.** & **S.J. VAZIFDAR, J.**
DATE: **JULY 06, 2005**.

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At the oral request of the petitioner-in-person, respondent No.2 is deleted from the array of parties.

2. Pursuant to the direction of this Court, respondent No.1 has filed his affidavit. According to him, this PIL is false, dishonest, frivolous and has been filed only with the intention to seek publicity on the basis of false and mischievous allegations . It is also mentioned that the petitioner has failed to place any material facts before this Court as regards doping in the sports. On merit, the deponent has mentioned

that after the doping incident was brought into light, the Indian Olympic Association had appointed two Members Committee of Brigadier K.P. Singhdev and Prof. Dr. Manmohan Singh to look into the incident and suggest any action to be taken regarding the same. The Committee submitted its report to the Indian Olympic Association. The two members Committee recommended life ban on the women weightlifters who were guilty of doping and also recommended ban on the chief Coach appointed by Indian Weightlifting Federation. Simultaneously, Indian Weightlifting Federation also took a decision to impose a life ban on the three women weightlifters.

3. The World Anti-Doping Agency (for short “WADA”) was set up in the year 1999 from an initiative of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) with the support and participation of Inter-Governmental Organisations, public authorities and other public and private bodies fighting against doping in sports. Its mission is to promote and coordinate at information level the fight against doping in sport in all forms.

4. As per the laws laid down by WADA, Indian Olympic Association has suggested that a ban on three women weightlifters

and the Chief Coach should be reduced from life ban to two years. Accordingly, the Indian Weighlighting Federation agreed to reduce a life ban slapped on three women weightlifters and the chief Coach.

5. It is also submitted that all possible steps to enquire into the doping incident have been taken. In view of the detailed and comprehensive affidavit of respondent No.1, no further directions are necessary in this PIL and this PIL is accordingly disposed of.

CHIEF JUSTICE

S.J. VAZIFDAR, J.